

1 AN ORDINANCE relating to Rules and Order of Business of
2 the King County Council and repealing King County Ordinance No. 201.

3 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

4 SECTION 1: The Council shall elect a Chairman and Vice
5 Chairman for a term of one (1) year, to begin the second Monday of
6 January, at which time the Council will reconstitute itself. In
7 the event the Vice Chairman is incapacitated from acting as Chair-
8 man, in his absence a temporary Chairman shall be chosen to act
9 during such absence or incapacity only.

10 SECTION 2: Five members shall constitute a quorum of the
11 County Council. Unless otherwise specified by the Charter, a vote
12 of the majority of those present will be necessary for the conduct
13 of Council business. Five members shall be authorized to call the
14 Council upon due notice of the meeting to all members of the
15 Council, or may adjourn from day to day, or until the time for the
16 next regular meeting.

17 SECTION 3: Questions shall be directly put in this form,
18 to wit: "All those in favor of (as the question may be) say 'Aye'",
19 and after the affirmative is expressed, "Those opposed say 'No'".
20 If requested by any member, the individual votes shall be recorded.
21 All votes by the Council shall be deemed unanimous unless recorded
22 otherwise in the minutes.

23 SECTION 4: The Chairman shall have the general direction
24 and supervision of the Council Chamber and the employees and prop-
25 erty of the Council

26 SECTION 5: STANDING COMMITTEES - As established, with
27 Chairman, Vice Chairman and the membership appointed by the Chair-
28 man of the Council with consent of a majority of members thereof,
29 with meeting dates and times being determined by individual com-
30 mittee chairmen, and duly publicized, shall be as follows:
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1 1) FINANCE - FIVE members -

2 To consider and make recommendations on all matters and
3 legislation of a financial nature, including appropriations, sala-
4 ries and expenditures; levy taxes, investigate and report on all
5 financial claims filed against the county; and to examine requests
6 for changes in assessments and taxes.

7 2) CITIZENS' HEALTH AND SAFETY - FIVE members -

8 To consider and make recommendations on all matters
9 relating to health, welfare, police and fire protection, air and
10 water pollution, and civil defense.

11 To consider and make recommendations on all matters
12 concerning building permits, building codes, and other technical
13 codes and regulations.

14 3) PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION - FIVE members -

15 To consider and make recommendations on all matters
16 pertaining to the construction and maintenance of the county road
17 system and other transportation facilities. The committee shall
18 also be responsible for matters pertaining to other county con-
19 struction, garbage disposal, public works, and utilities.

20 4) ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING - FIVE members -

21 To consider and make recommendations on all matters
22 pertaining to comprehensive plans, urban renewal, and zoning within
23 the county.

24 To make recommendations pertaining to county parks and
25 other recreational facilities and programs and should consider and
26 make recommendations for public open space and related public com-
27 munity services.

28 5) OPERATIONS AND JUDICIARY - FIVE members -

29 To consider and make recommendations on matters re-
30 lating to salaries, wages, and working conditions of county employ-
31 ees.

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1 To investigate and report upon the efficiency of all
2 county departments and the operations development thereof.

3 To oversee and receive reports from the Office of
4 Citizens' Complaints and the County Auditor.

5 To consider and make recommendations on all matters
6 relating to county records and elections.

7 To consider and make recommendations relating to amend-
8 ment of the County Charter.

9 6) INTER-GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS - FIVE members -

10 To consider and make recommendations on all matters of
11 joint interest between the County and Federal Government, State of
12 Washington, cities and municipalities within the county, other
13 counties, and other governmental agencies.

14 SECTION 6: All official documents issued by order of the
15 Council shall be under the hand of the Chairman and attested by the
16 Clerk, except as otherwise provided by the County Charter.

17 SECTION 7: Business shall be disposed of in the following
18 order:

- 19 - Roll Call
- 20 - Approval of Minutes
- 21 - Hearings
- 22 - Introduction of Emergency Ordinances
- 23 - Introduction of Ordinances for First Reading,
24 Memorials and Motions
- 25 - Reports of Standing Committees and Second Reading
26 of Ordinances
- 27 - Third Reading of Ordinances
- 28 - Unfinished Business
- 29 - Other Business

30 SECTION 8: There shall be no voting by proxy on any ques-
31 tion before the council.

32 Every member within the chambers of the Council when the
question was put shall give his vote, unless the Council for special

1 reasons shall excuse him. All motions to excuse a member from
2 voting shall be made before the call of Yeas and Noes is commenced;
3 and any member requesting to be excused from voting may make a brief
4 and verbal statement of the reasons for making such request, and the
5 question shall then be taken without further debate.

6 SECTION 9: Every motion shall be reduced to writing, if
7 the Chairman or a member desires it.

8 SECTION 10: No amendment shall be received when an Ordin-
9 ance is on final passage. Ordinances may be referred or recommit-
10 ted for the purpose of amendment.

11 SECTION 11: When an ordinance shall pass, the Clerk shall
12 note the day of its passage at the foot thereof, and hand it to the
13 Chairman of the Council for signature, or in his absence to the
14 Chairman Pro Tem, after which it shall be attested to by the Clerk.

15 SECTION 12: The Council may go into Committee-of-the-Whole
16 at any time for the consideration of such matters as may be refer-
17 red to the Committee-of-the-Whole by the Council.

18 SECTION 13: The time of meeting of the Council shall be at
19 9:30 A. M. on Monday of each week, unless otherwise ordered by the
20 Council.

21 SECTION 14: Any member of the Council present at a meeting
22 of any standing committee, though not a member thereof, shall be
23 entitled to participate in the deliberations of such committee, but
24 shall not be entitled to vote therein.

25 SECTION 15: All nominations and appointments requiring
26 confirmation or approval of the Council shall be referred to the
27 Committee-of-the-Whole, unless otherwise ordered by the Council.

28 SECTION 16: All sessions of the County Council shall be
29 held at the County seat.

30 SECTION 17: At least seven (7) days after the introduction
31 of a proposed ordinance, except an emergency ordinance, and prior
32 to its adoption or enactment, the County Council shall hold a public

1 hearing after due notice, to consider the proposed ordinance. Due
2 notice shall mean notifying press, radio and television in the
3 County of such public hearing by posting a notice on the bulletin
4 board outside the door of the County Council Chambers, and by such
5 other means as may now or hereafter be required by law.

6 SECTION 18: No ordinance which establishes a police or
7 sanitary regulation shall be passed unless before its adoption a
8 public hearing has been held thereon by the Council of which at
9 least ten (10) days' notice has been given. The notice must meet
10 all the requirements as specified in SECTION 17 and, in addition,
11 a notice must set out a copy of the proposed regulation; or if a
12 code is adopted by reference the notice shall set forth the full
13 official title and a statement describing the general purposes of
14 such code. The notice shall also include the day, hour, and the
15 place of hearing and must be given by publication in the newspaper
16 in which legal notices of the County are printed.

17 SECTION 19: The committee chairmen shall have posted on
18 the bulletin board the time and place of meetings of all standing
19 committees. All public hearings held by such committees shall be
20 scheduled at least seven (7) days in advance and shall be given due
21 notice as provided in SECTION 17.

22 Standing committees shall act upon all matters referred.

23 The committee chairmen shall cause to be posted, at least
24 one (1) day prior to all meetings, an Agenda of the meeting.

25 SECTION 20: Any member desiring to introduce a proposed
26 ordinance, memorial, resolution, or motion having to do with the
27 business of the Council, shall file the same with the clerk, and
28 shall distribute it to the Council members. Said proposed ordin-
29 ance, memorial, resolution, or motion shall be numbered and read at
30 the next session. Proposed ordinances which intend to amend exist-
31 ing ordinances shall have the words which are amendatory underlined.
32 Any matter to be deleted from the existing ordinance shall be indi-

1 cated by lining out such matter with a broken line and enclosing the
 2 lined-out material with double parentheses. No proposed ordinance
 3 shall be printed or acted upon until the provisions of this rule
 4 have been complied with. New sections need not be underlined, but
 5 shall be designated "NEW SECTION" in upper case type and such design-
 6 nation shall be underlined.

7 An ordinance shall contain only one subject, which shall be
 8 included in the title. All proposed ordinances shall be in the fol-
 9 lowing form:

10 PROPOSED ORDINANCE
 11 NO. _____

12 AN ORDINANCE relating to (title)

13 BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

14 Section 1:

15 SECTION 21: The first reading of a proposed ordinance
 16 shall be by title only, unless three members demand reading in full.
 17 After the first reading, proposed ordinances shall be referred to a
 18 committee. Upon being reported back by the committee, all proposed
 19 ordinances shall be placed upon the calendar for second reading.

20 SECTION 22: A majority recommendation of the committee
 21 must be signed by a majority of the entire membership of the com-
 22 mittee and in a regularly called meeting before a proposed ordin-
 23 ance, memorial, resolution or motion may be reported out. A major-
 24 ity recommendation of the committee may be "do pass" or "do pass as
 25 amended" or "the attached substitute ordinance be do pass". Minor-
 26 ity reports "do not pass", however, may be submitted with a majority
 27 report.

28 SECTION 23: A veto message of the Executive accompanying
 29 any proposed ordinance passed by the council, together with the
 30 proposed ordinance vetoed, shall be read in the council. It shall
 31 then be in order to proceed to the reconsideration of the proposed
 32 ordinance, refer it, lay it on the table, or postpone its consider-

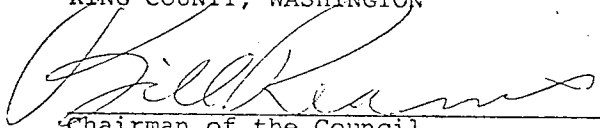
1 ation to a day certain. In the case of an appropriation ordinance
2 containing several sections or items, one or more of which have
3 been objected to by the Executive, each section or item so objected
4 to shall be voted upon separately by the Council. Action by the
5 Council upon all vetoed ordinances shall be endorsed upon the pro-
6 posed ordinance and certified by the Chairman.

7 SECTION 24: King County Ordinance No. 00201 is hereby
8 repealed.

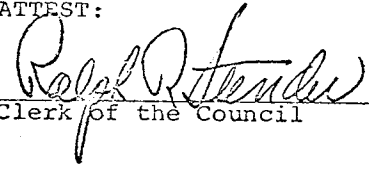
9 INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 15th day
10 of June, 1970.

11 PASSED at a regular meeting of the King County Council this
12 28th day of September, 1970.

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14 KING COUNTY COUNCIL
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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16 
17 Chairman of the Council

18 ATTEST:

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20 Clerk of the Council

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22 APPROVED this _____ day of _____, 1970.

23 DEEMED ENACTED WITHOUT
COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S SIGNATURE

24 DATED: Oct 8 - 1970
25 King County Executive

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27 ORDINANCE READING:

28 1st 6-15-70
29 2nd 9-28-70
30 3rd 9-28-70
31 Effective Date _____
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